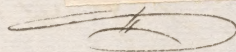


in some sort. and I found myself bound to change my home. & accept a new one here. - I owe you a thousand thanks for a letter which you so kindly sent me last winter. I have read it again & again. & hope I trust I shall profit by your kind suggestions.

Mr Richardson wrote to you while you were in Portland requesting you to visit us. &c. - but afterwards thought that his letter did not reach them until about the time you left the place. We hope that Mr Booth of Boston will give us a lecture soon. I shall never feel entirely at home here until some interest is awakened here in the great cause of emancipation. Both ministers and people with few exceptions are a sluggish people on this topic. - Mr Richardson with Miss Alice - Herbert & sister Martha who are now with us desire their sincere regards to you - & the young ladies join with me in the expression of ours for Mr Fitzsimon. - we all hope to have the pleasure of seeing you to the sea bag. - With sincere esteem

Yours affectionately

P. F.



March 11. 1835.

Wm. N. M.

J. F. Richardson



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F. F. Richardson.

Durham 11<sup>th</sup> March 1835

Dear Sir,

Mr Richardson & myself felt truly disappointed that we had not the pleasure of seeing you & Mr Thompson on your return from Portland as you gave us some hope of a call - we hoped to have persuaded you to have staid with us awhile - and to have enlightened our village on the subject so deeply interesting to abolitionists - the people here would have heard you gladly we think at least those of them who do not receive their opinions from the Patriot - Our friends were concerned supposing that I should see you soon after my arrival intended to my case the importance of which I explain to you now - you & your fellow-labourers were the subjects of our conversation much of the evening, & the enclosed was sent with many expressions of sincere regard - had you have made us the expected call it would have given me an opportunity of making an apology to you which I deem indispensable - when you left Concord you gave us some encouragement that you should visit us again in the course of the winter, & I expressed my sincere intention of giving you timely notice of a little anticipated assembly which was to happen there - in consequence of circumstances which I cannot here explain - I did not know the precise time it would take place until late - & then I could not ascertain where to direct a letter to you - I felt extremely sorry that it so happened (although Mrs Moore says I know that nothing happens) - the dissent family all regretted with us that we had not the pleasure of seeing you at that time - I had depended so much upon your performing a part (at least) of the ceremony that I scarcely would believe it well done without you. However it was done